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TAGS: SHUM, GV

SUBJECT: POSSIBLE ICRC VISIT TO GUINEA

REFS: A) CONAKRY 1527; B) CONAKRY 1516; C) STATE 197589;
D) GENEVA 6924 AND PREVIOUS

1) GENEVA: PLEASE INFORM ICRC OF SUBSTANCE OF USG DISCUSSIONS WITH GOG ON POSSIBLE ICRC VISIT, AND SUGGEST TO ICRC THAT THEY PROCEED WITH LETTER AS OUTLINED PARA FIVE REF D. WE SUGGEST APPROACH BE MADE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, AND THAT LETTER (OR OTHER FORM OF MESSAGE) BE ADDRESSED TO PRIME MINISTER BEAVOGUI.

2) WE ASSUME ICRC WILL WISH TO TRANSMIT LETTER THROUGH ITS OWN CHANNELS, E.G. THROUGH SWISS CHARGE IN CONAKRY. IF ONLY MEANS AVAILABLE TO ICRC FOR THIS PURPOSE IS INTER-CONFIDENTIAL

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NATIONAL MAIL, THEN USG WOULD BE PREPARED TO TRANSMIT INITIAL COMMUNICATION. IN ANY EVENT, WE SUGGEST ICRC INFORM USG WHEN AND HOW LETTER IS SENT, SO THAT WE CAN FOLLOW UP AS APPROPRIATE, IN CONAKRY.

3) WE ARE CONCERNED AS WE ASSUME ICRC IS BY BEAVOGUI'S

APPARENT INTENT TO INVOLVE USG IN ARRANGEMENTS FOR ICRC VISIT. WE ASSUME ICRC WILL MAKE CLEAR THE INDEPENDENT NATURE OF ITS APPROACH, AND SUGGEST CHARGE REEMPHASIZE TO GOG THAT ICRC VISIT WOULD NOT BE ARRANGED OR SPONSORED BY USG.

4) AT SAME TIME, CHARGE CAN REMIND GOG THAT COOPERATION WITH ICRC IN SUCH MATTERS AS RATIFYING GENEVA CONVENTIONS, ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL RED CROSS SOCIETY, AND ACCEPTANCE OF ICRC VISITS WOULD BE WIDELY VIEWED AS POSITIVE RESPONSE TO HUMAN RIGHTS CRITICISM. CHARGE COULD NOTE THAT VIRTUALLY ALL OTHER NATIONS HAVE SIGNED 1949 GENEVA CONVENTIONS AND FORMED RED CROSS SOCIETIES, IN ADDITION TO ACCEPTING ICRC VISITS AS APPROPRIATE. COOPERATION WITH ICRC WILL BE SEEN AS SIGNIFICANT FIRST STEP IN RESPONDING TO USG AND OTHERS' CONCERNS ABOUT HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION IN GUINEA, ALTHOUGH GOG SHOULD NOT BE LED TO BELIEVE THAT A SINGLE ICRC VISIT WILL DISPOSE OF THE PROBLEM.
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